

Listing of Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (withdrawn) A method, performed by a processor in a digital media player, for filing media tracks stored on a computer-readable medium, with each media track having attribute data for identifying attributes of the track, said method comprising:

reading a definition file that defines an ordered hierarchical tree structure having a plurality of branches, with the hierarchical tree structure including category names for naming-branches under which tracks are sorted, subcategory names for defining subcategories within the branches, and structure information defining the hierarchy of branch names and subcategory names; and

for each track, determining, based on the attribute data associated with the track if the track belongs in one or more of the branches, and, for each branch in which the track belongs, filing the track under one or more subcategories .

2-23. (cancelled)

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24. (new) A method of selecting at least one track from a plurality of tracks stored in a computer-readable medium of a portable media player configured to present sequentially a first, second, and third display screen on the display of the media player, the plurality of tracks organized according to a file hierarchy, the file hierarchy having a plurality of categories, subcategories, and items respectively in a first, second, and third level of the hierarchy, the method comprising:

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selecting a category in the first display screen of the portable media player;
displaying the subcategories belonging to the selected category in a listing presented in the second display screen;

selecting a subcategory in the second display screen;
displaying the items belonging to the selected subcategory in a listing presented in the third display screen; and

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accessing at least one track based on a selection made in one of the display screens.

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25. (new) The method of selecting a track as recited in claim 24 wherein the accessing at least one track comprises selecting a subcategory in the second display screen and playing a plurality of tracks associated with the selected subcategory.

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26. (new) The method of selecting a track as recited in claim 24 wherein the accessing at least one track comprises selecting a subcategory and adding the tracks associated with the selected subcategory to a playlist.

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27. (new) The method of selecting a track as recited in claim 24 wherein the accessing at least one track comprises selecting an item in the third display screen and playing at least one track associated with the selected item.

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28. (new) The method of selecting a track as recited in claim 24 wherein the accessing at least one track comprises selecting an item in the third display screen and adding at least one track associated with the selected item to a playlist.

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29. (new) The method of selecting a track as recited in claim 24 wherein the accessing at least one track comprises one of playing or adding to a playlist at least one track associated with a selected one of the category, subcategory, and item.

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30. (new) The method of selecting a track as recited in claim 24 wherein the accessing at least one track is made after the presentation of the third display screen by reverting back to one of the second and first display screens, the second display screen presented sequentially after the third display screen.

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31. (new) The method of selecting a track as recited in claim 24 further comprising selecting one of the items displayed in the third display screen and presenting

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a listing of items associated with the selected item in a fourth sequentially presented display screen.

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32. (new) The method of selecting a track as recited in claim 24 wherein the category genre is selected in the first display screen from available categories that include at least artist, album, and genre; and the subcategories listed in the second display screen comprise a listing of at least one genre type and one of the at least one genre type is selected.

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33. (new) The method of selecting a track as recited in claim 32 further comprising displaying in the third display screen at least one album associated with the selected genre type and selecting one of the at least one albums displayed in the third display screen and presenting a listing of tracks associated with the selected album in a fourth sequentially presented display screen.

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34. (new) The method of selecting a track as recited in claim 24 wherein the category artist is selected in the first display screen from available categories that include at least artist, album, and genre; the subcategories listed in the second display screen comprise a listing of names of artists and a first artist name is selected; and the items displayed in the third display screen comprises at least one album associated with the first artist name.

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35. (new) The method of selecting a track as recited in claim 24 wherein the track is a music track, the item accessed in the third display screen is a track title, and the track is played in response to the access.

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36. (new) The method of selecting a track as recited in claim 24 wherein receipt of the selection in the first display screen results in an automatic transition of the first display screen into the second display screen and receipt of the selection in the second display screen results in an automatic transition of the second display screen into the third display screen.